

CRITERIA USED IN ASSESSING GRANTS

It is recognised that judgements about what sacrifices a family should make to pay school fees will be personal.

However, the School has a duty to ensure that all bursary grants are well focused and is aware that there are families paying full fees who are making significant sacrifices to keep their children at Dean Close. In fairness to these, the School will attempt to apply the following criteria consistently:

1. Assets

Significant capital savings and investments would be expected to be used for the payment of School fees, as would substantial equity value in houses.

2. Income

Where there are two partners both would be expected to be employed unless one is prevented from doing so through incapacity, the need to care for children under school age or other dependents, or the requirements of their partner's work. School age children would not be expected to have any employment.

3. Expenditure

Where fees are being paid to other schools (or universities), the School's grant will take into account all these outgoings.

4. Lifestyle

Acknowledging that others might have a different view, the School considers that the following would not be consistent with receipt of a bursary:

- Frequent or expensive holidays
- New or luxury cars
- Investment in significant home improvements
- Second properties